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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE ANDREW YOUNG TRIP TO EA COUNTRIES

FOR AMBASSADOR FROM HOLBROOKE

1. ANDY YOUNG HAS NOW INDICATED HIS INTENTION TO ATTEND
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ESCAP MEETING IN BANGKOK MARCH 7-17 AND MESSAGE WILL BE
SENT OUT SHORTLY TO ESCAP ADDRESSEES TO THAT EFFECT.

2. ANDY'S ORIGINAL IDEA WAS TO ATTEND ENTIRE ESCAP
MEETING WITH THOUGHT OF HOLDING NUMEROUS BILATERALS WITH
ESCAP REPS AND TO RESERVE TRIPS TO OTHER CAPITALS FOR
LATER ASIAN TRIP. HOWEVER, THERE IS SOME QUESTION AS TO

WHETHER SUCH A PROLONGED STAY AT ESCAP CONFERENCE WOULD BE BEST USE OF TIME OR WHETHER AT LEAST SOME OTHER STOPS SHOULD BE WORKED INTO THIS TRIP. CABLE UNDER PREPARATION WILL SEEK INFORMATION ON LEVELS OF REPRESENTATION BY PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES AT ESCAP CONFERENCE SO WE CAN MAKE BETTER DETERMINATION ON THIS POINT. THERE MAY ALSO BE SOME ADDITIONAL TIME AVAILABLE BEFORE AND POSSIBLY AFTER ESCAP MEETING ALTHOUGH HE MUST BE IN SENEGAL NO LATER THAN MARCH 24 AND ALSO IS CONSIDERING STOPS IN INDIA, SRI LANKA, PAKISTAN AND ROME. WE ARE TENTATIVELY THINKING

OF POSSIBLE STOPS IN JAKARTA, PORT MORESBY, KUALA LUMPUR, SINGAPORE, AND PERHAPS RANGOON DEPENDING ON THE TIME AVAILABLE AND LOCAL RECEPTIVITY. THERE MAY ALSO BE A BRIEF STOP IN TOKYO ON THE WAY OUT TO THE CONFERENCE.

3. FOR ALL ADDRESSEES: PLEASE GIVE ME YOUR VIEWS BY COB JANUARY 24 ON HOW MUCH TIME ANDY SHOULD SPEND IN YOUR COUNTRY TO MAKE VISIT WORTHWHILE AND WHAT ACTIVITIES YOU WOULD PROPOSE DURING VISIT. YOU SHOULD NOT APPROACH HOST GOVERNMENTS AT THIS TIME.

4. FOR AMBASSADOR MANSFIELD: IN LIGHT OF LARGE JAPANESE CONTRIBUTION TO UN OPERATIONS, DO YOU THINK JAPANESE WOULD BE OFFENDED IF ANDY WERE TO BYPASS TOKYO?

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5. FOR AMBASSADOR OLMSTEAD: ANDY IS PARTICULARLY ANXIOUS TO VISIT PAPUA-NEW GUINEA, AND I CONCUR. DO YOU BELIEVE VISIT WOULD BE USEFUL AT THIS TIME? CHRISTOPHER

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